

New Jersey Department of Transportation

Northbound Route 31 Raritan Township, Hunterdon County Public Information Center (Pre-Construction) Thursday, August 6, 2015, 4 – 7 pm

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance transportation needs, the environment, community concerns and cost, will hold a **Public Information Center** to inform local residents, officials and the business community about the **widening of Route 31 Northbound project in Raritan Township, Hunterdon County**. You are encouraged to actively participate at the meeting, mail, or e-mail.

The Meeting

The Public Information Center will be held in the **Raritan Township Police Building, One Municipal Drive, Raritan Township, Hunterdon County, on Thursday, August 6, 2015 from 4-7 pm**. Please come at a time that is convenient for you. You will have an opportunity to review exhibits of the proposed project, ask questions and discuss any concerns with NJDOT staff members.

Project Background

The existing roadway is two lanes in the northbound direction from the intersection of Route 31 and Main Street/Junction Road until dropping down to one lane south of Minneakoning Road. There are both safety and traffic related issues as a result of traffic merging near the intersection.

The Project

The roadway will be widened to two lanes from the lane drop just south of Minneakoning Road, through the intersection of the Prestige Plaza driveway, before dropping back down to one lane just north of Prestige Plaza. The roadway will consist of two lanes and a shoulder in the northbound direction.

Also, traffic signal upgrades at four signalized intersections within the project area, signing and striping, utility relocation, access adjustments, and drainage work will be performed.

Traffic Control

- The roadway will be reconstructed in three (3) stages.
- Utility, drainage, signal work, and full depth construction will be built in Stage 1.
- The northbound and portions of the southbound shoulders will be closed during Stage 1.
- During Stage 2, traffic will be shifted onto the newly constructed roadway while portions of the existing roadway are repaved.
- The left lane will be closed during Stage 2.
- Final paving, signing, and striping will occur in Stage 3.
- The newly constructed right lane will be closed during Stage 3.
- The access for the local residences, businesses, and the hospital will be maintained at all times.
- At least one lane will be open at all times during the day.
- There are no detours during construction.
- Alternating one-way traffic pattern during the final paving sequence will be allowed during overnight hours.
- Variable message signs will be placed in the area to notify motorists of the upcoming roadway conditions as per stages.

Estimated Construction Schedule

Begin:	Summer 2015
Substantial Completion:	Spring 2016

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